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SUBJECT: LACK OF OIL DRILLING ACTIVITY BY US FIRM INTERSEAS

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REFTEL REPORTED AGREEMENT BETWEEN BURUNDI GOVERNMENT AND INTERSEAS COMPANY OF NEW UNDER WHICH LATTER WOULD BEGIN STUDIES OF POSSIBLE PETROLEUM DEPOSITS IN LAKE TANGANYIKA-RUZIZI PLAIN AREA OF BURUNDI BY SEPTEMBER AND ACTUAL EXPLORATORY DRILLING BY JANUARY 1975. DURING CONVERSATION ON NOVEMBER 08 WITH SINCE-REPLACED ECON MIN BARAKAMFITIYE (WHO NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT), I WAS TOLD THAT HE HAD HEARD NOTHING FROM INTERSEAS SINCE ACCORD WAS CONCLUDED AND HAD NO IDEA WHAT WAS GOING ON. HE SAID HE WOULD ASK BURUNDI EMBASSY WASHINGTON TO MAKE INQUIRIES, BUT, IN ANY CASE, I WOULD APPRECIATE WHATEVER INFORMATION DEPT. OR USDOC CAN PROVIDE ON INTENTIONS OF INTERSEAS. IT MAY SET A BAD PRECEDENT IN MINDS OF BURUNDI OFFICIALS FOR RELYING ON AMERICAN INVESTORS IN NICKEL PROJECT OF ANOTHER US FIRM RENEGES ON APPARENT COMMITMENTS IN PETROLEUM FIELD.
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